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YOU ARE ALSO A PART OF THIS WORLD THAT I WANT TO DESTROY
AND...
TRUE, BUT...
DID YOU FORGET?
I AM A NEUTRAL PARTY!

YOU'VE SHOWN KAZUKI SOMETHING YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE... I CAN'T HELP BUT HOLD A GRUDGE AGAINST YOU

!

TWO KNIGHTS WON'T BE NEEDED!

KAZUKI -KUN!
THIS BOY

HAS
CHANGED

FOUND THE WILL TO KILL ME?
HAVE YOU FINALLY
HARUKI!
KAZUKI-SAN!

I'LL STOP DI[E]CE!
I DON'T WANT TO KILL ANY-ONE...
THAT'S WHY...

WHY DO WE HAVE SUCH A RECKLESS KING THIS TIME?
HAH...

!

WHO ARE YOU?
EH? YOU DON'T KNOW MY FACE?
THAT CAN ONLY MEAN
YOUR GEEK OF A ROOK IS REALLY SLACKING OFF

"ROOK"...?!
HEY, Y'KNOW...
THE ATTRACTIVE YOUNG MAN...
THAT CARRIED YOU ON HIS BACK...
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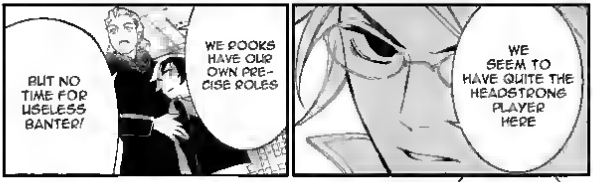
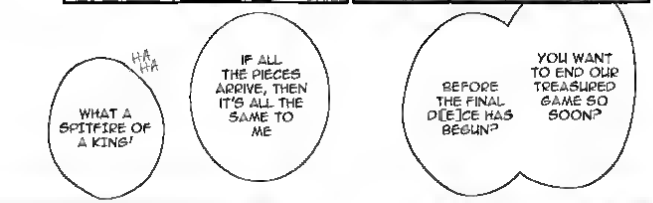
THAT WAS ME!
GOT IT?!

I AM YOUR "ROOK", EIJI
AND I WILL CARRY OUT YOUR WISHES!
SO PLEASE FORGIVE MY LATE ENTRY!

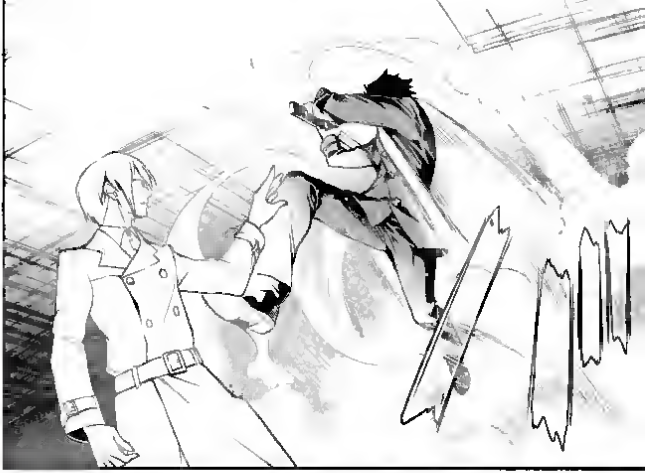

BUT NO TIME FOR USELESS BANTER!
WE BOOKS HAVE OUR OWN PRE-CISE ROLES
WE SEEM TO HAVE QUITE THE HEADSTRONG PLAYER HERE


HA HA
WHAT A SPITFIRE OF A KING!
IF ALL THE PIECES ARRIVE, THEN IT'S ALL THE SAME TO ME
BEFORE THE FINAL D[E]CE HAS BEGUN?
YOU WANT TO END OUR TREASURED GAME SO SOON?

WHAT ?
...THEN WE DON'T HAVE ANY TIME TO WASTE

!
CRUCIATA!

YOU FLYS AGAIN
DON'T YOU DARE
YOU MUST BE KOUTAKE HARUKI
GET IN MY WAY!



DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE US!

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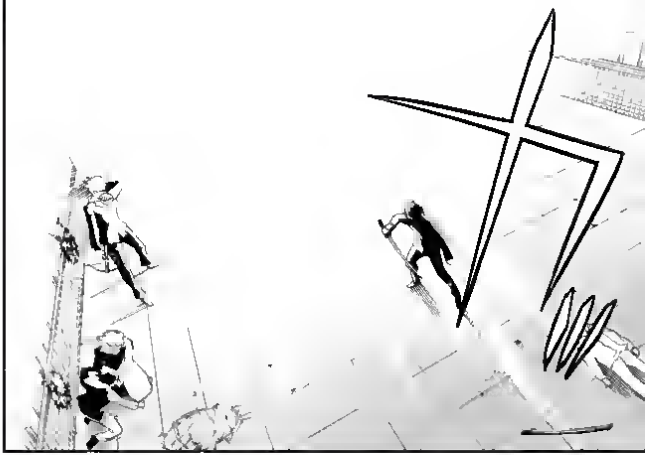
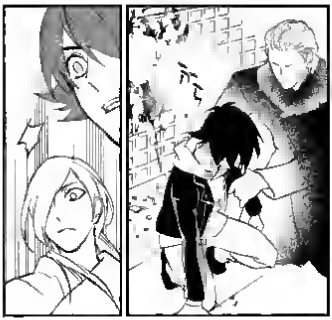


KAZUKI-
KUN!



FROM BACK THEN...

AH... I GET IT...
UGH...
WHY HASN'T IT HEALED?
AH... THIS REALLY HURTS...
IT SHOULD BE JUST A SCRATCH RIGHT NOW...

MY WOUNDS...
QUICK-LY!
WON'T HEAL FROM NOW ON
HE NEEDS TO BE TREA-TED!

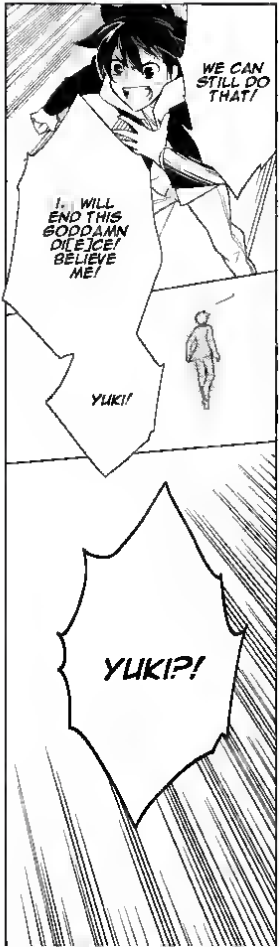
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THAT KIND OF PLAN...

THAT'S HOW IT'LL GO, UNTIL THEY'RE SATISFIED

THEY'RE SENDING A SPECIAL PLAYER INTO THE GAME NOW TO RAISE THE STAKES
"BOUDO'S" SUCCESS REQUIRES ENORMOUS MILITARY SPENDINGS
AS A METHOD FOR FUNDING, THIS NEW D[E]ICE, WITH ITS MINIMAL CASUALTIES, ISN'T TOO BAD

I DON'T WANT TO BRING THEIR LIFE AND DEATH GAME INTO THIS WORLD!
I AM AGAINST THIS!
WE ARE THE NEW "ADMINI-STRATORS"
WE JUST HAVE TO FOLLOW ORDERS NOW
TELL ME, NII-SAN..
DON'T YOU THINK THAT THE TWO OF US TOGETHER COULD STOP THIS?
SAPYUU-
I REFUSE TO FOLLOW THEIR ORDERS!
I...
REFUSE!

KAZUKI...
RUKA...?
THANK GOD! YOU'RE OKAY!
NO... THAT'S...
THAT'S YUKI!
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN THIS WHOLE TIME?!
YUKI...?
HERE AND THERE


WE CAN STILL DO THAT!
I... WILL END THIS GODDAMN DI[E]CE! BELIEVE ME!
YUKI!
YUKI?!

I WISH THINGS WERE
...LIKE THEY WERE BEFORE, TOGETHER WITH HARUKI AND YOU
...GOING TO SCHOOL, BEING CAREFREE...

IN CRUCIATA'S HEADQUARTERS
KAZUKI-SAN?!
WHERE AM I...?
CRUCIATA?
OUR REAL TASK IS TO FIGHT DI[E]CE
AND EVENTUALLY, THE ELIMINATION OF ALL THE MAIN PLAYERS

!
Uwa
MUSASHI!
BUT THE SITUATION'S CHANGED
AS IT STANDS NOW, NARUSE KAZUKI HAS AWAKENED "HIM"
"AWAKENED?"
"HIM"?
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
THAT
IT IS THEREFORE NOT IN OUR INTEREST TO PROTECT YOU

...I WILL EXPLAIN
I AM KANADE
MY ROLE IS TO PREDICT PLAYER'S MOVEMENTS AND THE PROGRESSION OF DI[E]CE
AND TO ACT IN ANTICIPATION OF DI[E]CE'S DAMAGES
I INFORM CRUCIATA'S MEMBERS OF WHAT WILL HAPPEN NEXT
IS SUCH A PREDICTION EVEN POSSIBLE...?
OF COURSE. AFTER ALL, WE HAVE THE DATA FOR THOUSANDS OF PAST DI[E]CES
FROM THAT NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE
OF THOUSANDS

KAZUKI-KUN
BUT THAT IS NOT THE CASE FOR ROUDO
IT MAY BE YOUR FIRST DI[E]CE
HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT ALL THESE THOUSAND TIMES FOR "YOUR" SAKE
IF I TOLD YOU THAT DI[E]CE
WOULD YOU BELIEVE ME?
EH...?
DI[E]CE IS BY THE MAKERS
THIS ENDLESS CYCLE OF DI[E]CE IS THE WORK OF SOMEONE THAT YOU KNOW WELL.
SAI-GUUJI-KUN

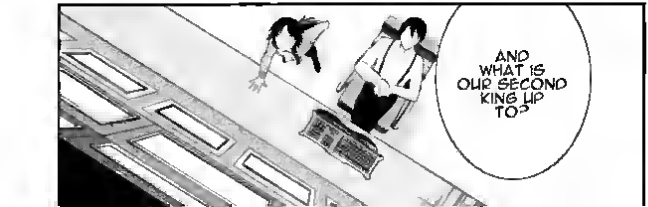
THE REALITY THAT WAS SHOWN TO YOU IS NOT NECESSARILY THE TRUTH
IN ORDER TO LEAD THE OTHER PLAYERS, YOU NEEDED A SENSE OF PURPOSE
WHO WAS IT THAT PLANTED THAT IN YOU?
BOUDO'S "ADMINISTRATOR" AND –
THE MAN WHO HAS DESTROYED AND REBUILT BOUDO COUNTLESS TIMES... HIS NAME IS...

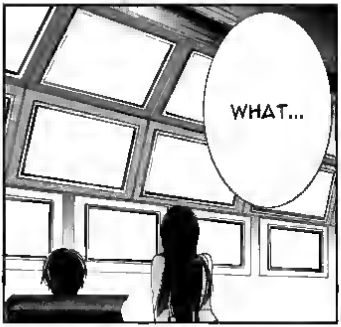
AKIKAGE
KAZUKI ISN'T THERE..

LATELY HE HASN'T BEEN TRACE-ABLE
WHERE HAS HE GONE?

..KAREN
HE'S JUST IN A PLACE WITH A BARR-IER

CRUCIATA ..
HUH
THE ADDRESS OF THAT PLACE IS BLOCK-ED


AND WHAT IS OUR SECOND KING UP TO?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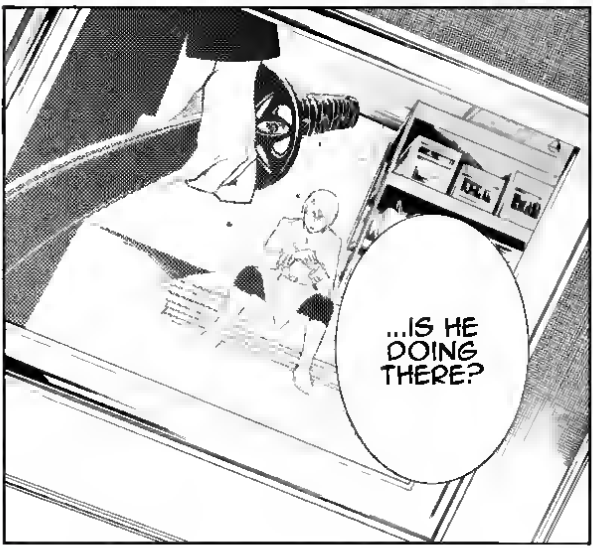
...IS HE DOING THERE?

WHY DID YOU COME HERE?
I WAS SURE THAT...
...I WOULD'VE GONE TO KAZUKI?
WHY SHOULD I HAVE GONE TO THAT GUY?

I JUST THOUGHT YOU COULD USE SOME HELP IN KILLING HIM, IS ALL

ME MYSELF IS SCANS
d[e]ce
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